

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF SOUTH DAKOTA
SOUTHERN DIVISION

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MARGARET A. BENSON, M.D.,

Plaintiff,

vs.

SANFORD HEALTH,
a South Dakota Corporation; and
SANFORD MEDICAL CENTER,
a South Dakota Corporation,

Defendants.

CIV 08-4072

ORDER

The parties have stipulated but have not explained why there should be a Protective Order. Protective Orders are appropriate in some cases despite a public interest in open court files. Good cause must be shown as to why a Protective Order is necessary. It may well be that some of the information should be subject to a Protective Order, but the Stipulation seems to contemplate that virtually the entire file would be sealed. No legal or factual basis has been shown for such a broad Order. This denial is without prejudice to the parties submitting a less restrictive proposed Protective Order with explanation as to why a Protective Order is necessary. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That the parties must show good cause for the entry of a Protective Order.

Dated this 17th day of September, 2009.

BY THE COURT:

[Signature]

Lawrence L. Piersol
United States District Judge

ATTEST:
JOSEPH HAAS, CLERK

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